

02/07/14    Agenda:

- Warm Up Problem
- Review Homework
  - Worksheet 9 - Trig Ratios - Mixed Review
- Section 7.5 - 7.7 - Trig Word Problems
- Homework
  - Worksheet 10 - Trig Word Problems

## Section 7.5 - 7.7 - Trig Word Problems

### Target 7D & 7E

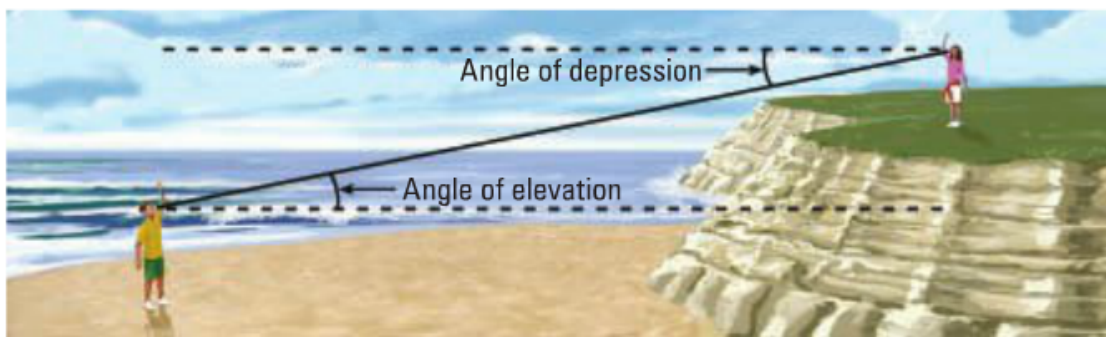
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Goal:	Be able to solve word problems involving trig functions. -----
Steps:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Draw a picture of the problem.</li><li>2. Create a right triangle and put in the numbers.</li><li>3. Solve like any other trig problem.</li></ol>

Some definitions:

*Angle of elevation* means you are looking up at something.

*Angle of depression* means you are looking down at something.

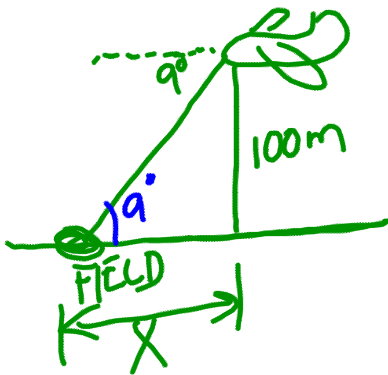


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1. A glider is flying above a field. The glider spots the field at a  $9^\circ$  angle of depression. The glider is flying at an altitude of 100 m. What is the distance from the glider to the field?

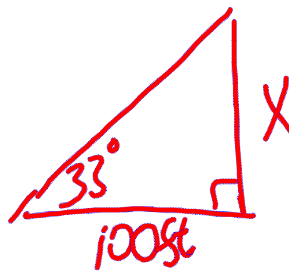
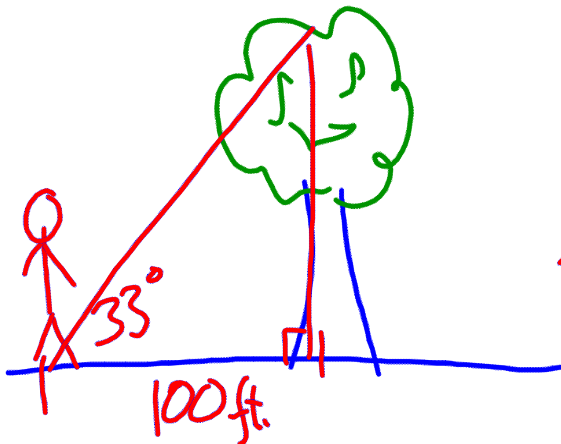


$$\tan 9^\circ = \frac{100}{X}$$

$$X = 631.4 \text{ m}$$

$$X = \frac{100}{\tan 9^\circ}$$

2. John wants to measure the height of a tree. He walks exactly 100 feet from the base of the tree and looks up. The angle from the ground to the top of the tree is  $33^\circ$ . How tall is the tree?



$$S = \frac{O}{H}$$

$$C = \frac{A}{H}$$

$$T = \frac{O}{A}$$

$$\tan 33 = \frac{X}{100}$$

$$100 \cdot \tan 33 = X$$

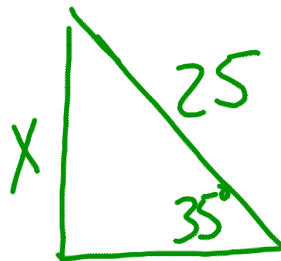
$$X = 64.9 \text{ ft}$$

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3. An airplane is flying at a height of 2 miles above the ground. The distance along the ground from the airplane to the airport is 5 miles. What is the angle of depression from the airplane to the airport?
4. A bird sits on top of a lamppost. The angle of depression from the bird to the feet of an observer standing away from the lamppost is  $35^\circ$ . The distance from the bird to the observer is 25 m. How tall is a lamppost?



$$\sin 35^\circ = \frac{X}{25}$$

$$25 \cdot \sin 35^\circ = X$$

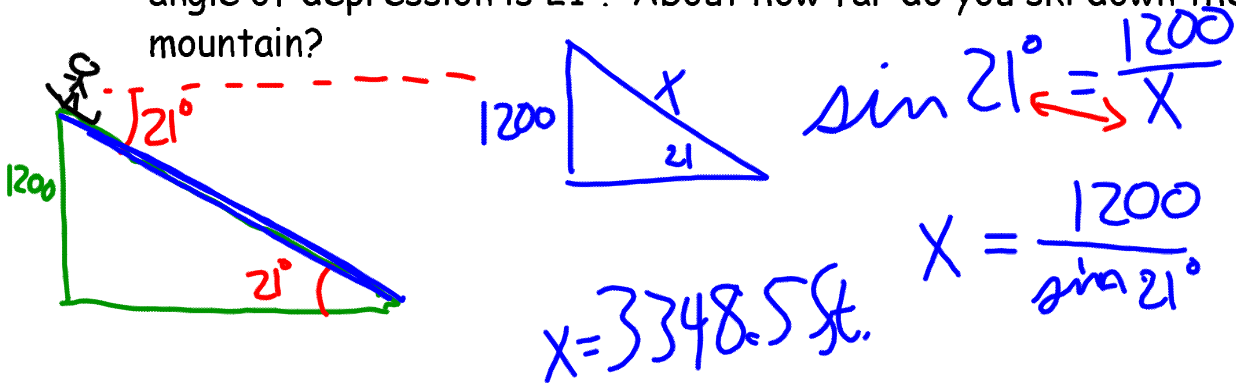
$$X = 14.3 \text{ m}$$

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5. You are skiing on a mountain with an altitude of 1200 m. The angle of depression is  $21^\circ$ . About how far do you ski down the mountain?



6. You are flying a kite with 20 feet of string extended. The angle of elevation from the spool of string to the kite is  $41^\circ$ . How far off the ground is the kite if you hold the spool 5 feet off the ground?

